

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1778

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES RIDDLE (Sponsor), WILSON, LANT, HICKS, JONES (110),
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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 571, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to firearms restrictions in landlord-tenant agreements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 571, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 571.510, to read as follows:

571.510. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no lessor shall
2 **prohibit a lessee from possessing firearms within an individual residence or from carrying**
3 **or transporting firearms to and from such residence in a manner allowed by law. Any**
4 **provision of a lease or oral agreement between a lessor and lessee in violation of this section**
5 **shall be void and unenforceable.**

6 **2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 571.107, no private property owner**
7 **who is a lessor shall prohibit carrying a concealed weapon in common areas or in any**
8 **location where carrying a concealed weapon is in accordance with the requirements of**
9 **subsection 1 of this section. A lessor may prohibit carrying a concealed weapon under**
10 **section 571.107 in the lessor's office building or personal residence.**

11 **3. The requirements of this section shall not apply to lessors who rent a portion of**
12 **their own personal residence to lessees or to lessors renting personal residences where such**
13 **properties were not acquired by the lessor for the primary purpose of rental income.**

14 **4. No lessor shall be liable in tort or any other civil action for damages caused by**
15 **a lessee's possession or use of a firearm on property owned by the lessor, unless the lessor**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

16 **violated section 571.060 or otherwise caused the lessee to engage in any unsafe or illegal**
17 **actions with a firearm.**

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